

Section I:
AMENDMENT UNDER 37 CFR §1.121 to the
CLAIMS

Claim 1 (currently amended):

A method for providing electronic catalogs of information sets regarding available products for bid or purchase through an online auction or bidding system collectively referred to as an Interactive Offer System, said method comprising the steps of:

providing at least two repositories of information sets and data items, at least one of said repositories being indexed to part ~~number~~ numbers and manufacturer identifiers ~~identifier~~;

dynamically linking said information sets and data items to said part numbers and said manufacturer identifiers for available products by executing a synchronization script or program, said execution being triggered at a predetermined time or responsive to a predetermined event;

upon request by a trader, synchronizing contents of a Sales Preparation System with said repositories such that said information sets and said data items within said repositories represent full information sets of most recently created data items, including the contents of said Sales Preparation System;

promoting said synchronized Sales Preparation System contents to an online auction system responsive to authorization of said trader; and

presenting said promoted contents to one or more online bidders via said online auction system.

Claim 2 (previously presented):

The method as set forth in Claim 1 wherein said predetermined time comprises a time determined according to a periodic basis.

Claim 3 (currently amended):

The method as set forth in Claim 1 wherein said predetermined event comprises [[and]]
an event of a request for said information sets in any of the repositories.

Claim 4 (previously presented):

The method as set forth in Claim 1 further comprising the step of providing a list to a user, said list having part numbers and dynamic links to said information sets and data items associated with listed part numbers.

Claim 5 (original):

The method as set forth in Claim 1 further comprising the step of saving a copy of an information set linked to a part number such that said saved copy is statically linked to said most recently created data items.

Claim 6 (currently amended):

A computer readable medium containing program code for providing electronic catalogs of information sets regarding available products for bid or purchase in through an online auction or bidding system collectively referred to as an Interactive Offer System, said program code when executed by a computer causing the computer to perform the steps of:

providing at least two repositories of information sets and data items, at least one of which being indexed to manufacturer ~~identifier~~ identifiers and part numbers;

dynamically linking said information sets and data items to said part numbers and said manufacturer identifiers for available products by executing a synchronization script or program, said execution being triggered at a predetermined time or responsive to a predetermined event;

upon request by a trader, synchronizing contents of a Sales Preparation System with said repositories such that said information sets and said data items within said repositories represent full information sets of most recently created data items, including the contents of said Sales Preparation System;

promoting said synchronized Sales Preparation System contents to an online auction system responsive to authorization of said trader; and

presenting said promoted contents to one or more online bidders via said online auction system.

Claim 7 (previously presented):

The computer readable medium as set forth in Claim 6 wherein said predetermined time comprises a time determined on a periodic basis.

Claim 8 (previously presented):

The computer readable medium as set forth in Claim 6 wherein said predetermined event comprises a request for said information sets in any of the repositories.

Claim 9 (original):

The computer readable medium as set forth in Claim 6 further comprising program code for performing the step of providing a list to a user, said list having part numbers and dynamic links to said information sets and data items associated with said listed part numbers.

Claim 10 (original):

The computer readable medium as set forth in Claim 6 wherein said program code for further comprises program code for saving a copy of an information set linked to a part number such that said saved copy is statically linked to said most recently created data items.

Claim 11 (currently amended):

A system for providing a dynamic online listing of information regarding items available for purchase or bid through an online auction system, comprising:

at least two computer-readable repositories of descriptive data items, at least one of said repositories being indexed to part numbers and to manufacturer identifiers;

a plurality of dynamic links between said descriptive data items[[and]], said ~~product~~ part numbers and said manufacturer identifiers, said links being established by executing a synchronization script or program, said execution being triggered at a predetermined time or responsive to a predetermined event;

a repository synchronizer which, responsive to a request from a trader, dynamically updates links to the descriptive data items, replaces links to older data items with links to newer data items, and adds links to data items which were not previously available;

an offer promoter for promoting said synchronized Sales Preparation System contents to an online auction system responsive to authorization of said trader; and a user interface to an Interactive Offer System adapted to present said synchronized Sales Preparation System contents to one or more online bidders via said online auction system.

Claim 12 (previously presented):

The system as set forth in Claim 11 wherein said repository synchronizer is further adapted to replace and add links on a timed basis.

Claim 13 (previously presented):

The system as set forth in Claim 11 wherein said repository synchronizer is further adapted to replace and add links responsive to a request for information from said repositories.

Claim 14 (previously presented):

The system as set forth in Claim 11 further comprising a offer description creator adapted to capture or copy dynamically linked data items to a part number into a second set of descriptive data items which are statically related to said part number.

Claim 15 (previously presented):

The system as set forth in Claim 11 further comprising an offer list creator adapted to create a list of part numbers associated with dynamic links to said data items.